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1. AID PLANS TO SUBMIT ITS FY 78 CONGRESSIONAL PRESENTATION TO CONGRESS ON FEBRUARY 1. UNLIKE THE FY 77 PRESENTATION, THE CP DOES NOT INCLUDE A DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE BUDGET PROPOSAL FOR INDIA. WE EXPECT TO BE ASKED ABOUT OMISSION OF ANY BUDGET PROPOSAL BY THE INDIAN EMBASSY AND INTEND TO RESPOND AS FOLLOWS: A) IN THE ABSENCE OF A BILATERAL DEVELOPMENT ASSISTANCE PROGRAM SINCE FY 72, IT HAS BECOME AWKWARD FOR AID IN ITS CONGRESSIONAL RELATIONS TO KEEP INDIA AS A LINE ITEM IN THE AID BILL; B) THIS DOES NOT RULE OUT THE RESUMPTION OF DEVELOPMENT LENDING SHOULD THE USG AND INDIA LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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DECIDE TO PROCEED WITH A PROGRAM; C) IF SO, THE ADMINISTRATION WOULD SEEK NECESSARY CONGRESSIONAL APPROVAL THROUGH A SUPPLEMENTAL BILL; D) THIS SHOULD NOT BE READ AS A POLITICAL SIGNAL BUT IS STRICTLY AN INTERNAL USG PROCEDURAL ACTION.

2. IF EMBASSY IS ASKED BY GOI SUGGEST YOU RESPOND ALONG SAME LINES. REQUEST YOU REPORT ANY GOI INQUIRIES AND REAC-

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